

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. (currently amended) A method for stocking tool magazines of a machine tool, the ~~device~~ machine tool comprising at least a first spindle and a second spindle configured to be independently movable relative to one another at least in one axis, wherein the first spindle has associated therewith a first tool magazine and the second spindles have correlated therewith at least a first tool magazine and spindle has associated therewith a second tool magazine, respectively, comprising the steps of:

continuing workpiece machining and direct tool changing into and from the second tool magazine by the second spindle during stocking of the first tool magazine; and

continuing workpiece machining and direct tool changing into and from the first tool magazine by the first spindle during stocking of the second tool magazine.

2. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein stocking of the first and second tool magazines is carried out by a single machine operator.

3. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, comprising the step of moving the first and second tool magazines into a stocking position for stocking.

4. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein workpiece machining by the first and second spindles is carried out parallel and identically on identical workpieces.

5. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein workpiece machining is carried out alternatingly by the first and second spindles on one workpiece.

6. (previously presented) The method according to claim 5, wherein the first and second tool magazines correlated with the first and second spindles contain identical sets of tools.

7. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein workpiece machining is carried out simultaneously by the first and second spindles on one workpiece.

8. (previously presented) The method according to claim 7, wherein the first and second tool magazines correlated with the first and second spindles contain identical sets of tools.

9. (currently amended) A method for stocking tool magazines of a

machine tool, the device machine tool comprising at least a first spindle and a second spindle configured to be independently movable relative to one another at least in one axis, wherein the first and second spindles have correlated therewith at least a first tool magazine and a second tool magazine, respectively, comprising the step of stocking the first and second tool magazines simultaneously.

10. (previously presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein stocking of the first tool magazine is carried out by a first machine operator and stocking of the second tool magazine is carried out by a second machine operator.

11. (previously presented) The method according to claim 9, comprising the step of moving the first and second tool magazines into a stocking position for stocking.

12. (previously presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein workpiece machining by the first and second spindles is carried out parallel and identically on identical workpieces.

13. (previously presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein workpiece machining is carried out alternately by the first and second spindles on one workpiece.

14. (previously presented) The methods according to claim 13, wherein the first and second tool magazines correlated with the first and second spindles contain identical sets of tools.

15. (previously presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein workpiece machining is carried out simultaneously by the first and second spindles on one workpiece.

16. (previously presented) The method according to claim 15, wherein the first and second tool magazines correlated with the first and second spindles contain identical sets of tools.

17. (currently amended) A method for stocking tool magazines of a machine tool, the device comprising a first spindle and a second spindle configured to be independently movable relative to one another at least in one axis, wherein the first and second spindles have correlated therewith a first tool magazine and a second tool magazine, respectively, comprising the steps of:

continuing workpiece machining by the second spindle, including accessing

tool changing into and from the second tool magazine, during stocking of the first tool magazine; and

continuing workpiece machining by the first spindle, including ~~accessing~~ tool changing into and from the first tool magazine, during stocking of the second tool magazine.